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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,

Petitioner

v.

UNION GAS COMPANY,

Respondent

On Writ Of Certiorari
To The United States Court Of Appeals
For The Third Circuit

#### JOINT APPENDIX

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## RELEVANT DOCKET ENTRIES

Date	No.	Proceedings
1983 5/23	1	Complaint filed.
7/22	4	Answer filed.
7/22		Issue joined.
8/1	5	Deft's third pty. complaint, filed.
8/9	9	Comm. of Pa's Motion to Dismiss Third Pty. Complaint, Memo, Notice, Certificate filed
8/25	10	Deft's memo in support of opposition to third pty deft. Commonwealth of PA's motion to dismiss third pty complaint, filed.
8/30	11	Commonwealth of PA's reply brief to deft's motion to dismiss, filed.
10/20	12	Answer of the Borough of Stroudsburg to third pty. complaint with crossclaim, filed.
10/28	13	Order dated 10/28/83 that Commonwealth of PA's motion to dismiss third pty complaint is granted, all claims against it are dismissed filed.  10/28/83 entered and copies mailed.

<u>Date</u>	No.	Proceedings	Date	No.	Proceedings
11/16	14	Memorandum, Bechtle, J., Dated 11/15/83 Re:	1984		
		Granting Commonwealth's Motion to Dismiss Third Pty. Complaint, filed.	8/10	47	Amended Third Party Complaint, filed.
1984		11/17/83 entered and copies mailed.	8/20	48	Motion of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to Dismiss or
4/28	28	Plff's motion to amend			in the alternative to strike the amended third
4/20	20	complaint, memo, certificate, filed complaint			party complaint, notice, memo, certificate of service filed.
		attached).	8/22	49	Union Gas Co.'s Answer to
5/7	29	Union Gas' memo in opposition in motion to amend compalint, certificate, filed.			Commonwealth's Motion to Dismiss or strike the amended third party complaint, memo, certificate filed.
5/16	30	Order dated 5/16/84 that plffs. motion to amend complaint is granted in part and denied in part, motion granted as to	9/13	51	Order that Motion of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to Dismiss is granted, etc., filed.
		Counts I and II, Count III is denied, plff. shall file copy of amended complaint, filed. 5/16/84 entered and copies mailed.	10/12	53	Answer of Third party deft. to amended third party complaint, counterclaims against plff., filed.
5/24	31	Amended complaint, filed.	1985		
8/9	45	Union Gas Company Answer to Amended Complaint, certificate of service,	2/4	83	Order that Action is Dismissed with Prejudice, etc., filed. 2/4/85
		filed.			entered and copies mailed.

Date	No.	Proceedings
1985		
3/27	84	Notice of Appeal of Union Gas Company, filed. (USCA #85-1177) 3/28/85 copies to: USCA, D. Spitz, J.G. Sheehan AUSA, J.J.C. Donovan, Esq., R.A. Metergia Esq., C.G. Wynkoop, Esq.
3/27	85	Copy of Clerk's Notice of USCA, filed.
4/9		Record complete for purposes of appeal-transcript not needed.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

Defendant	)
	)
UNION GAS COMPANY,	)
	)
v.	)
	) NO. 83-2456
	) CIVIL ACTION
Plaintiff	Ś
AMERICA,	,
UNITED STATES OF	?

#### COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, the United States of America, pursuant to the authority of the Attorney General and at the request of the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency alleges that:

1. This is a civil action brought by the United States against Union Gas Company (Defendant) under Sections 104 and 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. §9604 and 9607,

and sections 311(b)(3) and 311(f)(2) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1321(b)(3) and (f)(2) for the recoupment of costs incurred to date in responding to the release and threatened release of hazardous substances into the environment specifically Brodhead Creek, a navigable water of the United States, from the facility owned and operated by Defendant in Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.

2. This Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331, and § 1345, 42 U.S.C. § 9607 and § 9613 and 33 U.S.C. 1321(n). Venue is proper in this district because Defendant resides and has its principal office in this district and is doing business here, 28 U.S.C. § 1391(c), 42 U.S.C. § 9613(b).

## DEFENDANT

- Union Gas Company is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 4. The terms "Defendant", "Union Gas Company", and "Union Gas" as they appear in this complaint refer to the Union Gas Company as it presently exists and to all companies of which Union Gas is a successor in interest or an assign.
- 5. Defendant currently owns and operates a plant for the distribution of natural gas at 203 Main Street Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.
- 6. For more than fifty years,
  Defendant operated a coal gasification
  plant at 203 Main Street. The coal
  gasification plant produced coal gas and
  generated coal tar wastes.

- 7. Defendant disposed of the coal tar wastes on the 203 Main street premises and properties continguous thereto by dumping it on the surface, dumping it into pits and injecting it into subsurface levels.
- 8. Coal tar wastes generated by Defendant have reached the ground-water under the 203 Main Street site and migrated into Brodhead Creek, a navigable water of the United States.
- 9. Coal tar is migrating and will continue to migrate towards Brodhead Creek. This migration constituted a release and a substantial threat of future release of coal tar into Brodhead Creek.
- of coal tar are acenapthene, ethyl benzene, flouranthene, phenanthrene, and

pyrene which are designated as toxic pollutants pursuant to Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. § 1317(a). Naphthalene and xylene, also found in coal tar, are designated as hazardous substances pursuant to Section 311(b)(2)(A) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(2)(A). 40 C.F.R. 116.4.

- oil the sludge of which is a hazardous substance under Section 3001 of the "Resources Conservation and Recovery Act" (RCRA), 42 U.S.C. § 6921, 45 Fed.Req. § 261.32 (May 19, 1980).
- 12. Substances listed pursuant to Sections 307 and 311 of CWA and Section 3001 of RCRA are hazardous substances under Section 101(14) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(14).
- 13. Coal tar has been found in Brodhead Creek, in the groundwater under and surrounding the Union Gas facility,

and in pits and borings on and surrounding the Union Gas facility.

#### FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

- 14. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 13 are realleged.
- U.S.C. § 9604, provides in pertinent part:
  - 104(a)(1) Whenever (A) any hazardous substance is released or there is a substantial threat of such a release into the environment, or (B) there is a release or substantial threat of release into the environment of any pollutant or contaminant which may imminent and present an substantial danger to the public health or welfare,

the President is authorized to act, consistent with the national contingency plan, to remove or arrange for the removal of, and provide for remedial action relating to such hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant at any time (including its removal from any contaminated natural resource), or other response take any measure consistent with the national contingency plan which the President deems necessary to protect the public health or welfare or the environment, ....

104(b) Whenever the President is authorized to act pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, or whenever the President has reason to believe that a release has occurred or is about to occur, or that illness, disease or complaints thereof may be attributable to exposure to hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant and that a release may have occurred or be occurring, he may undertake such investigations, monitoring, surveys, testing, and other information gathering as he may deem necessary or appro-

priate to identify the existence and extent of the release or threat thereof, the source and nature of the hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminates involved, and the extent of danger to the public health or welfare or to the environment. In addition, the President may undertake planning, such legal, fiscal, economic, engineering, architectural, and other studies or investigations as he may deem necessary or appropriate to plan and direct response actions, to recover the costs thereof, and to enforce the provisions of the Act.

- 16. The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency is the President's delegate under Section 104(a) and (b) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604 (a) and (b), as provided for in Section 2(e) of E.O. No. 12316, 46 Fed. Reg. 42237 (August 14, 1981).
- 17. Section 107(a) of CERCLA,
  42 U.S.C. § 9607(a), provides, in pertinent part:

Notwithstanding any other provision or rule of law, and subject only to the defenses set forth in subsection (b) of this section -

- (1) the owner and operator of ... a facility,
- (2) any person who at the time of disposal of any hazardous substance owned or

operated any facility at which such hazardous substances were disposed of,

\* \* \*

- (4) ....shall be liable for -
- or remedial action incurred by the United States Government ... not inconsistent with the national contingency plan ....
- 18. Section 101(9) of CERCLA,
  42 U.S.C. § 9601(9), defines "facility"
  to include:

- (B) any site or area where a hazardous substance has been deposited, stored, disposed of, or placed, or otherwise come to be located ....
- facility within the meaning of Section 101(9) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(9) and an onshore facility within the meaning of 33 U.S.C. 1321(a).
- person as defined by Section 101(22) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(22).
- 21. Section 101(14) of CERCLA,
  42 U.S.C. § 9601 (14), defines "hazardous substance to include:
  - "(A) any substance designated pursuant to, Section 311(b) (2)(A) of the Federal Water

- Pollution Control Act, (B) any element, compound, mixture, solution, or substance designated pursuant to Section 102 of this Act, (C) any hazardous waste having the identified characteristics under or listed pursuant to Section 3001 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act ... (D) any toxic pollutant listed under Section 307(a) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act,..."
- in paragraph 10 of this complaint are hazardous substances within the meaning of § 101(14) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601 (14).

- 23. Section 101(22) of CERCLA,
  42 U.S.C. § 9601(22), defines "release"
  as "any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging,
  injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping,
  or disposing into the environment..."
- 24. Prior to the response measures of the administrator described in paragraph 29, releases from the Union Gas facility into the environment had occurred, were continuing to occur, and were threatening to occur within the meaning of Section 101(22) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(22).
- 25. Defendant Union Gas
  Company engaged in operation of the
  Union Gas facility at the time of
  disposal of coal tar and other hazardous
  substances at the facility. Defendant
  is within the class of persons described

as being liable under Section 107(a)(1) and (2) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9607(a)(1) and (2).

- 26. Section 101(25) of CERCLA,
  42 U.S.C. 9601(25) defines "response" to
  mean "remove, removal, remedy, and
  remedial action."
- 27. Section 101(23) of CERCLA,
  42 U.S.C. § 9601(23) defines "remove" or
  "removal," in pertinent part, as:

"... the cleanup or removal of released hazardous substances from the environment, such actions as may be necessary taken in the event of the threat of release of hazardous substances into the environment, such actions as may be necessary to monitor, assess, and evaluate the release or threat of release

of hazardous substances, the disposal of removed material, or the taking of such other action as may be necessary to prevent, minimize, or mitigate damage to the public health or welfare or to the environment, which may otherwise result from a release or threat of release. The term includes, in addition, without being limited to, security fencing or other measures to limit ..., action taken access under 104(b) of this Act . . . . "

28. Section 101(24) of CERCLA,
42 U.S.C. § 9601(24), defines "remedy"
or "remedial action," in pertinent part,
as:

"those actions consistent with permanent remedy taken instead of or in addition to removal actions in the event of a release threatened release of a substance into hazardous the environment, to prevent or minimize the release of hazardous substances SO that they do not migrate to cause substantial danger to present or future public health or welfare or the environment...."

demand upon Union Gas, which company failed to comply, has undertaken response measures not inconsistent with the National Contingency Plan concerning the release and threatened release of hazardous substances from the Union Gas

facility. These measures include, inter alia, the dredging of the back channel of Brodhead Creek and the installation of a slurry wall.

- incurred costs to date from the Hazardous Substance Response Fund in excess of \$450,000, in responding to the release and threatened release of hazardous substances from the Union Gas facility plus interest.
- 31. Section 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9607, authorizes the recovery of costs incurred by the United States in responding to the release and threatened release of hazardous substances from the Union Gas facility.
- 32. The Defendant is liable to the United States for all costs, including the costs of removal and remedial actions, that the United States

has incurred in responding to the release and threatened release of hazardous substances from the Union Gas facility. Plaintiff has demanded reimbursement but Defendant has refused and continues to refuse.

#### SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

- paragraphs 1 through 10, 13, 19 and 29.
- hazardous substances from its onshore facility into Brodhead Creek, a navigable water of the United States (33 U.S.C. 1362(7)) in a harmful quantity in violation of 33 U.S.C. 1321(b)(3).
- Defendant failed and neglected to remove the hazardous substance from Brodhead Creek and to protect against further discharges.

- 36. By reason of Defendant's failures, the United States acted pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 1321(c)(1) and incurred expenses in the amount of \$270,000 plus interest.
- 37. By reason of the foregoing, Defendant became liable by reason of 33 U.S.C. 1321(f)(2) to reimburse the United States for direct and related costs incurred by it.
- 38. Plaintiff has demanded reimbursement but Defendant has refused and continues to refuse.

## PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully prays that:

1. The Defendant be ordered to pay Plaintiff all costs and expenses Plaintiff has incurred in responding to the hazard created by the release and

threatened release of hazardous substances from the facility into the environment and in responding to the discharge of hazardous substances from its onshore facility into the navigable waters of the United States.

2. The Court award Plaintiff its costs of suit herein and such other relief as the Court finds appropriate and just.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF

AMERICA,

v.

Plaintiff

CIVIL ACTION

NO. 83-2456

UNION GAS COMPANY,

:

Defendant : Jury Trial

Demanded

#### ANSWER

Defendant, Union Gas Company, answers the Complaint filed by plaintiff as follows:

- Admitted only that and plaintiff so asserts.
  - Admitted.
  - 3. Admitted.
- 4. Admitted only that plaintiff so asserts. Defendant expressly denies liability of any assignor or predecessor in interest.

- 5. Admitted.
- 6. Denied.
- 7. Denied.
- 8. Denied.
- 9. Denied.
- 10. Denied.
- 11. Denied.
- 12. Denied.
- 13. Denied.
- 14. Defendant incorporates
  herein its answers to paragraphs 1
  through 13 as though fully set forth.
- 15. Admitted that the Section is correctly quoted in part, but the quotation is misleading in that it omits the following pertinent proviso:

"unless the President determines that such removal and remedial action will be done properly by the owner or operator of the vessel or facility from which the release or threat of release

emanages, or by any other responsible party."

- 16. Admitted.
- 17. Admitted only that the Section is correctly quoted.
- 18. Admitted only that the Section is correctly quoted.
  - 19. Denied.
  - 20. Denied.
- 21. Admitted only that the Section is correctly quoted.
  - 22. Denied.
- 23. Admitted only that the Section is correctly quoted.
  - 24. Denied.
  - 25. Denied.
- 26. Admitted only that the Section is correctly quoted.
- 27. Admitted only that the Section is correctly quoted.
- 28. Admitted only that the Section is correctly quoted.

- 29 Denied.
- 30. Denied.
- 31. Denied.
- 32. Denied.
- 33. Defendant incorporates herein its answers to paragraphs 1 through 10, 13, 19 and 29 as through fully set forth.
  - 34. Denied.
  - 35. Denied.
  - 36. Denied.
  - 37. Denied.
  - 38. Admitted.

WHEREFORE, defendant Union Gas
Company prays that this Court dismiss
the Complaint.

## Second Defense

39. The Complaint fails to state a cause of action upon which relief can be granted.

## Third Defense

40. The Complaint must be dismissed for plaintiff's failure to join parties known to plaintiff that are indispensable to the just adjudication of this litigation.

## Fourth Defense

cation of the statutes and regulations relied on by plaintiff violates defendant's right to due process of law and the United States Constitution's proscription against ex post facto laws.

## Fifth Defense

42. Defendant is not liable for the recoupment of costs incurred by the United States in responding to the averred release into Brodhead Creek because the release was caused by the intervening negligent acts and omissions of the United States Army Corps of Engineers, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources, the Borough of Stroudsburg and other third parties acting in concert with them over whom defendant exercised no control.

## Sixth Defense

43. The United States is estopped from recouping the costs incurred by it in responding to the averred release into Brodhead Creek, since the release was caused in whole or

in part by the intervening negligent acts and omissions of the United States Army Corps of Engineers and its agents, employees and contractors over whom defendant exercised no control.

## Seventh Defense

Defendant has exercised 44. due care in the circumstances. The averred release results from the negligent acts and omissions of the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Pennsyl-Environmental vania Department of Resources, Borough of Stroudsburg and other third parties acting in concert with them and the consequences of these acts could not have been reasonably provided for foreseen and by the defendant.

## Eighth Defense

- 45. Plaintiff has failed to mitigate its alleged damages.
- barred from recouping the response costs sought by the Complaint because its response was: (a) unnecessary and inappropriate for the actual problem involved; (b) inconsistent with the national contingency plan; (c) not based upon a reasonable assessment of the potential for injury from the asserted release; and/or (d) not cost effective.
- 47. The United States is barred from the recoupment of response costs sought by the Complaint because all or part of those costs were: (a) unnecessary or not cost effective and/or (b) not consistent with the national contingency plan.

States is United 48. The barred from recouping the response costs sought by the Complaint because (a) it failed to make an adequate determination of whether the averred release presented an imminent and substantial danger to the public health or welfare, and (b) the proposed remedial plan of a property owner, Pennsylvania Power and Light Company, would have abated the alleged release without further action or expense by the United States.

## Ninth Defense

49. Alternatively, even if it is determined that defendant is liable for the response costs and those costs were necessary and appropriate under the circumstances and consistent with the national contingency plan, then defendant is not liable for the entire amount

of the response costs, but only its aliquot share based on the ownership and operation of the coal gasification plant and adjacent real estate by others and the negligent acts and omissions of the United States Corps of Engineers, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources, the Borough of Stroudsburg and others, and other relevant factors.

WHEREFORE, defendant Union Gas
Company prays that the Complaint be
dismissed.

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UNITED STATES OF : AMERICA, :

Plaintiff

UNION GAS COMPANY,

V.

Defendant and Third Party Plaintiff

CIVIL ACTION NO. 83-2456

COMMONWEALTH OF
PENNSYLVANIA and
THE BOROUGH OF.
STROUDSBURG,

Third Party Defendants

#### THIRD PARTY COMPLAINT

#### Parties

- Third party plaintiff is Union Gas Company, the defendant in the above action.
- 2. Third party defendant, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (the "Commonwealth"), is a sovereign political entity which has as two of its agencies the Department of General Services ("DGS") and the Department of Environmental Resources ("DER").

- 3. The Commonwealth is subject to the jurisdiction and venue of this Court in that sovereign immunity has been legislatively waived by virtue of 42 Pa. C.S. § 8522(b)(4).
- 4. The Borough of Stroudsburg is a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with its principal place of business in Stroudsburg, Monroe County, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

## Cause of Action

5. On or about May 23, 1983, the plaintiff United States of America commenced the above action against Union Gas Company. A copy of the Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

- 6. The Complaint alleges that defendant unlawfully discharged coal tar into Brodhead Creek in Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.
- 7. For a period of years prior to 1935, coal tar was deposited at a location adjacent to Brodhead Creek currently owned by Pennsylvania Power & Light Company.
- 8. In or about 1959, at the request and with the assistance of the Commonwealth, acting through DGS and DER, and the Borough of Stroudsburg, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers relocated the Brodhead Creek stream bed by excavating portions of the earthen barrier between the coal tar and the pre-existing stream bed, and erected dikes and levees thereon.

- 9. In or about 1960, the Borough of Stroudsburg received permanent easements over the portion of Brodhead Creek and its adjacent bank at issue in this proceeding.
- 10. In or about 1980, the Borough of Stroudsburg conveyed the aforesaid permanent easements to the Commonwealth.
- "owners" and "operators", as those terms are used in Section 197(a) of CERCLA,

  42 U.S.C. 59607(a), of the Brodhead
  Creek stream bed and the adjacent bank at issue in this proceeding.
- 12. Third party defendants, together with other persons, negligently caused, or contributed to, the discharge of coal tar into Brodhead Creek by, inter alia:

- (a) Causing the excavation of portions of the earthen barrier between the coal tar and Brodhead Creek;
- (b) Erecting dikes and levees on the bank of Brodhead Creek thereby causing, inter alia, downcutting of the stream bed and bank; and
- (c) Improperly maintaining the stream bed and bank.
- denies that such allegations are true, and that such allegations are sufficient to state a claim against Union Gas Company, the allegations made by plaintiff against Union Gas Company are properly made against the third party defendants.
- 14. In the event the plaintiff proves that Union Gas Company is liable on any of the counts of the Complaint, which liability is expressly denied,

then third party defendants are liable over to Union Gas Company for any and all damages that may be assessed against Union Gas Company.

WHEREFORE, Union Gas Company hereby demands that judgment be entered against third party defendants Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Borough of Stroudsburg for any and all damages that may be awarded to and against Union Gas Company, and Union Gas Company further demands judgment for the costs of suit, and such other relief as may be proper.

August 1, 1983

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UNION GAS COMPANY,
Defendant and
Third Party

Plaintiff

Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO. 83-2456

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COMMONWEALTH OF
PENNSYLVANIA and
THE BOROUGH OF
STROUDSBURG,
Third Party

THIRD PARTY DEFENDANT, COMMONWEALTH
OF PENNSYLVANIA'S MOTION TO
DISMISS THIRD PARTY COMPLAINT

Third party Defendant, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by its attorney, Brecher, Deputy Attorney Marc General, hereby requests this Honorable Court dismiss the Third Party against with filed it Complaint This Motion is presented to prejudice.

the Court pursuant to Rule 12(b)(1) and 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the following reason:

This Court lacks jurisdiction over the Third Party Complaint against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a result of the Eleventh Amendment to the United States Constitution.

Respectfully submitted,

LeROY S. ZIMMERMAN Attorney General

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Office of Attorney General 206 State Office Building Philadelphia, PA 19130 (215)351-2402 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CIVIL ACTION

NO. 83-2456

v.

:

UNION GAS COMPANY

#### ORDER

AND NOW, TO WIT, this 28th day of October, 1983, IT IS ORDERED that the motion of third-party defendant, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to dismiss the third party complaint as to it is granted and all claims against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are dismissed. The Court's Opinion will be filed in due course.

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LOUIS C. BECHTLE, J.

## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(3) and (f)(2), and Section 7003 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, ("RCRA"), 42 U.S.C. § 6973, for the recoupment of costs incurred to date in responding to the release and threatened release of oil, hazardous substances and solid wastes into the environment, specifically, Brodhead Creek, a navigable water of the United States, from the facility owned and operated by Defendant in Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.

2. This Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 and 1345, 42 U.S.C. § 6973, 9607 and 9613, and 33 U.S.C. § 1321(n). Venue is proper in this district because Defendant resides and has its principal office in this district and is doing business here, 28 U.S.C. § 1391(c), and 42 U.S.C. § 9613(b).

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- 3. Union Gas Company is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
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- 5. Union Gas Company is the corporate successor to Citizens Gas Company. Defendant currently owns and operates a plant for the distribution of natural gas at 203 Main Street Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.
- 6. For more than fifty years from at least 1890 to 1948, Defendant operated a carburetted water gas coal

gasification plant at 203 Main Street, Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. The coal gasification plant produced coal gas from anthracite coal and transmitted it to local homes and business and generated wastes, including tars, oils, particulates and ash.

- 7. Defendant disposed of the wastes, including coal tar and oils, on the 203 Main Street premises and properties continuous thereto by dumping it on the surface, dumping it into pits and injecting it through wells into subsurface levels.
- 8. Coal tar and oil wastes generated by Defendant have reached the goundwater under the 203 Main Street site and migrated into Brodhead Creek, a navigable water of the United States.

- 9. Coal tar and oils have migrated and. absent appropriate remedial action. will continue to migrate toward Brodhead Creek. This migration constituted a release and a substantial threat of future release of coal tar and oils into Brodhead Creek.
- 10. Certain constituents of coal tar including acenapthene, ethyl benzene, flouranthene, phenanthrene, and pyrene, are designated as toxic pollutants pursuant to Section 307(a) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. 5 1317(a). Naphthalene, xylene, benzene, also found in coal tar, are designated as hazardous substances pursuant to Section 311(b)(2)(A) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(2)(A). 40 C.F.R. § 116.4.

- oil the sludge of which is hazardous under Section 3001 of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. § 6921, 45 Fed. Reg. § 261.32 (May 19, 1980). Coal tar is a solid waste under RCRA.
- 12. Substances listed pursuant to Sections 307 and 311 of CWA and Section 3001 of RCRA are "hazardous substances" under Section 101(14) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(14).
- 13. Coal tar has been found in Brodhead Creek, in the groundwater under and surrounding the Union Gas facility, and in pits and borings on and surrounding the Union Gas facility.

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14. The allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 13 are realleged. U.S.C. § 9604, provides in pertinent part:

104(a)(1) - Whenever (A) hazardous substance is released or there is a substantial threat of such a release into the environment, or (B) there is a release or substantial threat of release into the environment of any pollutant contaminant which may present an imminent and substantial danger to the public health or welfare, the President is authorized to act, consistent with the national contingency plan, to remove or arrange for the removal of, and provide for remedial action to relating such hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant at any time (including its

from any contaminated removal natural resource), or take any other response measure consistent with the national contingency plan which the President deems necessary to protect the public health or welfare or the environment, ... 104(b) - Whenever the President is authorized to act pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, or whenever the President has reason to believe that a release has occurred or is about to occur, or that illness, disease or complaints thereof may be attributable to exposure to a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant and that a release may have occurred or be occurring, he may investigations, undertake such monitoring, surveys, testing, and

other information gathering as he may deem necessary or appropriate identify the existence and extent of the release or threat thereof, the source and nature of the hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants involved, and the extent of danger to the public health or welfare or of the environment. In addition, the President may undertake such planning, legal, fiscal, economic, engineering, architectural, other studies or investigations as he may deem necessary or appropriate to plan and direct response action, to recover the costs and to enforce thereof. provisions of the Act.

- Environmental Protection Agency is the President's delegate under Section 104(a) and (b) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(a) and (b), as provided for in Section 2(e) of E.O. No. 12316, 46 Fed. Reg. 42237 (August 14, 1981).
- 17. Section 107(a) of CERCLA,
  42 U.S.C. § 9607(a), provides, in
  pertinent part:

Notwithstanding any other provision or rule of law, and subject only to the defenses set forth in subsection (b) of this section -

- the owner and operator of ...
   a facility,
- (2) any person who at the time of disposal of any hazardous substance owned or operated

any facility at which such hazardous substances were disposed of,

- (4) ....shall be liable for -
  - (A) all costs of removal or remedial action incurred by the United States Government... not inconsistent with the national contingency plan ....

- 18. Section 101(9) of CERCLA,
  42 U.S.C. § 9601(9), defines "facility"
  to include:
  - (B) any site or area where a hazardous substance has been deposited, stored, disposed of, or placed, or otherwise come to be located ....
- 19. The Union Gas site is a facility within the meaning of Section 101(9) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(9) and an onshore facility within the meaning of 33 U.S.C. 1321(a).
- person as defined by Section 101(22) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(22).
- 21. Section 101(14) of CERCLA,
  42 U.S.C. § 9601(14), defines "hazardous substance" to include:
  - (A) any substance designated pursuant to, Section 311(b)(2)(A) of the Federal Water Pollution

- Control Act, (B) any element, compound, mixture, solution, or substance designated pursuant to Section 102 of this Act, (C) any hazardous waste having the characteristics identified under or listed pursuant to Section 3001 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act...

  (D) any toxic pollutants listed under Section 307(a) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, ...
- in paragraphs 10 and 11 of this complaint are hazardous substances within the meaning of § 101(14) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(14).
- 23. Section 101(22) of CERCLA,
  42 U.S.C. § 9601(22), defines "release"
  as "any spilling, leaking, pumping,
  pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging,

injecting, escaping leaching, dumping,
or disposing into the environment..."

- measures of the Administrator described in paragraph 29, releases from the Union Gas facility into the environment had occurred, were continuing to occur, and were threatening to occur within the meaning of Section 101(22) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601(22).
- Company engaged in operation of the Union Gas facility at the time of disposal of coal tar and other hazardous substances at the facility. Defendant is within the class of persons described as being liable under Section 107(a)(1) and (2) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9607(a)(1) and (2).

- 26. Section 101(25) of CERCLA,
  42 U.S.C. § 9601(25) defines "response"
  to mean "remove, removal, remedy, and
  remedial action."
- 27. Section 101(23) of CERCLA,
  42 U.S.C. § 9601(23) defines "remove" or
  "removal," in pertinent part, as:
  - ... the cleanup or removal of released hazardous substances from the environment, such actions as may be necessary taken in the event of the threat of release of hazardous substances into environment, such action as may be necessary to monitor, assess, and evaluate the release or threat of release of hazardous substances. the disposal or removed material, or the taking of such other actions as may be necessary to prevent, minimize, or mitigate damage to the public health or

welfare or to the environment, which may otherwise result from a release or threat of release. The term includes, in addition, without being limited to, security fencing or other measures to limit access ..., action taken under 104(b) of this Act...

28. Section 101(24) of CERCLA,
42 U.S.C. § 9601(24), defines "remedy"
or "remedial action," in pertinent part,
as:

those actions consistent with permanent remedy taken instead of or in addition to removal actions in the event of a release or threatened release of a hazardous substance into the environment, to prevent or minimize the release of

hazardous substances so that they
do not migrate to cause substantial
danger to present or future public
health or welfare or the environment....

- demand upon Union Gas, to which Union Gas failed to respond, has undertaken response measures not inconsistent with the National Contingency Plan concerning the release and threatened release of hazardous substances and oils from the Union Gas facility. These measures include, inter alia, the dredging of the back channel of Brodhead Creek and the installation of a slurry wall.
- 30. The United States has incurred response costs to date in excess of \$720,000, in responding to the release and threatened release of hazardous substances from the Union Gas

facility. The United States continues to incur costs.

the United States for all costs, including the costs of removal and remedial actions and enforcement, that the United States has incurred in responding to the release and threatened release of hozardous substances from the Union Gas facility. Plaintiff has demanded reimbursement but Defendant has refused and continues to refuse to pay plaintiff.

# SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF - CLEAN WATER ACT

- 33. Plaintiff realleges paragraphs 1-32.
- 34. Defendant owns and operates an on shore facility as that term is defined under 33 U.S.C. § 1321.

- 35. Brodhead Creek, and the surrounding wetlands which are regularly or periodically inundated, are "navigable waters" of the United States.
- 36. Defendant discharged oil and hazardous substances into and upon Brodhead Creek, and/or adjoining shorelines and wetlands.
- defendant, as set forth in the preceding paragraph, was in "harmful quantities", as that term is used in 33 U.S.C. 5 1321, in violation of 33 U.S.C. 5 1321(b)(3).
- operator and owner and is presently the owner of an on shore facility, from which there was a discharge, and a substantial threat of discharge of oil, into or upon the navigable waters of the United States, and adjoining shorelines

and wetlands, in violation of 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(3).

- 39. The United States, by its duly designated officer, acted to "remove" or "arrange for the removal of", as defined in 33 U.S.C. § 1321(a)(8), (c) such oil set forth in the preceding paragraph.
- United States to perform the work set forth in the preceding paragraph are in an amount exceeding \$720,000. Plaintiff has demanded this sum from defendant, but defendant has failed and refused to pay said sum. Defendant is liable to plaintiff pursuant to 33 U.S.C. § 1321(f)(2).

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Defendant and Third Party

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Plaintiff : NO. 83-2456

V.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA and THE BOROUGH OF STROUDSBURG,

OF : JURY TRIAL : DEMANDED

Third Party : Defendants :

#### ANSWER TO AMENDED COMPLAINT

Defendant, Union Gas Company, answers the Amended Complaint filed by plaintiff as follows:

- Admitted only that plaintiff so asserts.
- Admitted, except it is denied that this Court has jurisdiction pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 6973.
  - Admitted.

- 4. Admitted only that plaintiff so asserts. Defendant expressly denies liability of any assignor or predecessor in interest.
- 5. Admitted in part and denied in part. It is denied that Union Gas Company is the corporate successor to Citizens Gas Company. It is admitted that defendant currently owns and operates a business at 203 Main Street, Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania engaged in distributing natural gas.
- 1890 to 1948, when it was dismantled, the predecessors to defendant operated a carburetted water gas plant at 203 Main Street, Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. Typical solid wastes produced during the processing of coal by a carburetted water gas plant are tars, oils, ashes and particulates. The quantities and characteristics of the tark and oils

produced depend on the properties of the coal feedstock and the time-temperature profile of the coal in the gasifier.

The commercial gas produced from the carburetted water gas plant was sold to homes and businesses in Stroudsburg.

- 7. Denied.
- 8. Denied.
- 9. Denied.
- 10. Denied.
- 11. Denied.
- substances exempt from the definition of "hazardous substances" under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act are also exempt under from the definition of "hazardous substance" under Section 101(14) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA"), and coal tar is so exempt.

- answer, plaintiff violated Section 104(e)(1)(B) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e)(1)(B) by failing to give defendant one half of all samples taken or a receipt for all samples taken.
- 14. Defendant incorporates
  herein its answers to paragraphs 1
  through 13 of the Amended Complaint.
- 15. Admitted that the Section is correctly quoted in part, but the quotation is misleading in that it omits the following pertinent proviso:

"unless the President determines that such removal and remedial action will be done properly by the owner or operator of the vessel or facility from which the release or threat of release emanates, or by any other responsible party."

- 16. Admitted.
- 17. Admitted only that the Section is correctly quoted.
- 18. Admitted only that the Section is correctly quoted.
  - 19. Denied.
  - 20. Denied.
- 21. Admitted that the Section is correctly quoted in part, but the quotation is misleading in that it omits the following proviso:

"(but not including any waste the regulation of which under the Solid Waste Disposal Act has been suspended by Act of Congress)"

- 22. Denied.
- 23. Admitted only that the Section is correctly quoted in part.
  - 24. Denied.
  - 25. Denied.

- 26. Admitted only that the Section is correctly quoted in part.
- 27. Admitted only that the Section is correctly quoted in part.
- 28. Admitted only that the Section is correctly quoted in part.
  - 29. Denied.
  - 30. Denied.
  - 31. Denied.
  - [32] [Sic]
- 33. Defendant incorporates herein its answers to paragraphs 1 through 31 of the Amended Complaint.
- 34. Admitted that at present, defendant owns and operates an "onshore facility" within the meaning of 33 U.S.C. § 1321, which definition excludes land. By way of further answer, coal tar and oil were never released or discharged from this onshore facility

which was first constructed in the 1950's.

- Admitted.
- 36. Denied.
- 37. Denied.
- 38. Denied.
- 39. Denied.
- 40. Denied.

WHEREFORE, defendant Union Gas
Company prays that this Court dismiss
the Amended Complaint.

#### Second Defense

41. The Amended Complaint fails to state a cause of action upon which relief can be granted.

#### Third Defense

42. The Amended Complaint must be dismissed for plaintiff's failure to join parties known to plaintiff that are indispensable to the just adjudication of this litigation.

#### Fourth Defense

- 43. The retroactive application of the statutes and regulations relied on by plaintiff violates defendant's right to due process of law and the United States Constitution's proscription against ex post facto laws.
- 44. The averred release or discharge took place prior to the enactment of the statutes relied upon by plaintiff, and those statutes are not retroactive in application.

#### Fifth Defense

45. Coal tar is a by-product of the processing of coal and is exempt from the definition of "hazardous substance" by virtue of 42 U.S.C. § 6921 (a)(3)(A). Therefore, coal tar and its

constituents are exempt from the definition of "hazardous substance" under 42 U.S.C. § 9601(14).

#### Sixth Defense

- 47. No reportable or harmful quantity of oil or a hazardous substance has been released or discharged.
- 48. The alleged oil sheen caused no actual or measurable harm.

#### Seventh Defense

for the recoupment of costs incurred by the United States in responding to the averred release or discharge into Brodhead Creek because the release or discharge was caused by the intervening negligent acts and omissions of the United States Army Corps of Engineers, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the

Borough of Stroudsburg and other third parties acting in concert with them over whom defendant exercised no control.

#### Eighth Defense

estopped from recouping the costs incurred by it in responding to the averred release or discharge into Brodhead Creek, since the release or discharge was caused in whole or in part by the intervening negligent acts and omissions of the United States Army Corps of Engineers and its agents, employees and contractors over whom defendant exercised no control.

#### Ninth Defense

51. Defendant has exercised due care in the circumstances. The averred release and discharge results from the acts, omissions and/or negligence of the United States Army

Corps of Engineers, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Borough of Stroudsburg and other third parties acting in concert with them and the consequences of these acts could not have been reasonably foreseen and provided against by the defendant.

#### Tenth Defense

- 52. Plaintiff has failed to mitigate its alleged damages.
- from recouping the incurred costs sought by the Amended Complaint because its response was: (a) unnecessary and inappropriate for the actual problem involved; (b) inconsistent with the national contingency plan; (c) not based upon a reasonable assessment of the potential for injury from the asserted

release; (d) not cost effective; and (e) not proximately caused by the alleged release and discharge.

from recouping incurred costs sought by the Amended Complaint because (a) it failed to make an adequate determination of whether the averred release presented an imminent and substantial danger to the public health or welfare, and (b) the proposed remedial plan of a property owner, Pennsylvania Power and Light Company, would have abated the alleged release without further action or expense by the United States.

#### Eleventh Defense

55. Alternatively, even if it is determined that defendant is liable for the costs incurred and those costs were necessary and appropriate under the

circumstances and consistent with the national contingency plan, then defendant is not liable for the entire amount of the response costs, but only its aliquot share based on the ownership and operation of the coal gasification plant and adjacent real estate by others and the acts, omissions and negligence of the United States Corps of Engineers, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Borough of Stroudsburg and others, and other relevant factors.

WHEREFORE, defendant Union Gas
Company prays that the Amended Complaint
be dismissed.

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#### AMENDED THIRD PARTY COMPLAINT

- Third party plaintiff is
   Union Gas Company, the defendant in the above action.
- 2. Third party defendant, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (the "Commonwealth"), is a sovereign political entity which has as two of its agencies the Department of General Services ("DGS") and the Department of Environmental Resources ("DER").

- 3. The Commonwealth is subject to the jurisdiction and venue of this Court in that sovereign immunity has been legislatively waived by virtue of 42 Pa. C.S. § 8522(b)(4).
- 4. The Borough of Stroudsburg is a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with its principal place of business in Stroudsburg, Monroe County, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

#### Cause of Action

5. On or about May 23, 1983, the plaintiff United States of America commenced the above action against Union Gas Company. On or about May 25, 1984, the United States served Union Gas with an Amended Complaint, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

- 6. The Amended Complaint alleges that defendant unlawfully released and discharged coal tar and oil into Brodhead Creek in Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.
- 7. The United States has alleged that between 1890 and 1948 coal tar was dumped into pits adjacent to Brodhead Creek.
- 8. Between 1960 and 1962, at the request and with the assistance and approval of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Commonwealth, acting through DGS and DER, and the Borough of Stroudsburg, relocated the Brodhead Creek stream channel.
- 9. In or about 1960, the Borough of Stroudsburg received permanent easements over the portion of Brodhead Creek and its adjacent bank at issue in this proceeding.

- 10. In or about 1980, the Borough of Stroudsburg conveyed the aforesaid permanent easements to the Commonwealth.
- "owners" and "operators", as those terms are used in Section 197(a) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9607(a), of the Brodhead Creek stream bed and the adjacent bank at issue in this proceeding.
- 12. Third party defendants caused the alleged release and discharge of coal tar and oil into Brodhead Creek by their acts, omissions and/or negligence including, inter alia:
  - (a) The narrowing of the channel of Brodhead Creek on its western side and restriction of the channel with dikes thereby causing significant downcutting;
  - (b) Excavating along the toe of the dike and backwater areas; and

- (c) Failing to take corrective measures to prevent the downcutting.
- denies that the United States' allegations are true, or that such allegations are sufficient to state a claim against Union Gas Company, the allegations made by the United States against Union Gas Company are properly made against the third party defendants.
- States proves that Union Gas Company is liable on any of the counts of the Amended Complaint, which liability is expressly denied, then third party defendants are liable over to Union Gas Company, on the basis of subrogation or otherwise, for any and all damages that may be assessed against Union Gas Company.

WHEREFORE, Union Gas Company hereby demands that judgment be entered against third party defendants Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Borough of Stroudsburg for any and all damages that may be awarded against Union Gas Company, and Union Gas Company further demands judgment for the costs of suit, and such other relief as may be proper.

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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA'S MOTION TO DISMISS OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE MOTION TO STRIKE THE AMENDED THIRD PARTY COMPLAINT

Third Party Defendant, Common-wealth of Pennsylvania by its attorney, Marc G. Brecher, Deputy Attorney General, hereby moves this Court pursuant to Rules 12(b)(1), 12(b)(6) and 12(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to either dismiss or strike the amended third party complaint filed against it.

This Motion is based upon the following reasons and the attached Memorandum of Law.

- 1. On May 23, 1983, the United States of America brought suit against the Union Gas Company (UGC) under §§ 104 and 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. §§ 9604 and 9607 and §§ 311(b)(3) and 311(f)(2) of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. § 1321(b)(3) and 1321(f)(2).
- 2. On August 3, 1983, the UGC filed a third party complaint against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Borough of Stroudsburg.
- 3. On or about August 9, 1983, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania filed a motion to dismiss the third party complaint.

- 4. On October 28, 1983, this
  Court entered an Order "that the motion
  of the third party defendant, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to dismiss the
  third party complaint as to it is
  granted and all claims against the
  Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are
  dismissed."
- 5. In a memorandum dated November 15, 1983 in support of its Order of October 28, 1983, this Court held that the third party complaint was barred by the Eleventh Amendment to the United States Constitution.
- 6. On August 13, 1984, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania was served with an "Amended third party complaint" filed against it and the Borough of Stroudsburg by UGC. This pleading is virtually identical to the initially filed third party complaint which this

Court dismissed as to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Order of October 28, 1983.

- 7. Third party defendant, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania presently moves this Court to either dismiss or strike the third party complaint filed against it for the reasons set forth in the following paragraphs.
- 8. The Amended third party complaint should be dismissed for the same reasons articulated by the Court in its Memorandum of November 15, 1983 which the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania incorporates by reference herein.
- 9. Alternatively, the amended third party complaint, should be stricken pursuant to Rules 12(f) and 15(a) of the

Federal Rules of Civil Procedure since it was filed without leave of court.

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1 through 4 Admitted.

5. Denied as stated. The Court ruled that it lacked jurisdiction over the Commonwealth as to the causes of action alleged on the basis of the Eleventh Amendment to the United States Constitution.

- 6. Denied as stated. It is admitted that the Commonwealth was served with the Amended Third Party Complaint; however, the Amended Third Party Complaint differs in some respects from the original Third Party Complaint.
- 7. Admitted that the Common-wealth so moves.
  - 8. Denied.
  - 9. Denied.

WHEREFORE, defendant Union Gas
Company prays that this Court deny the
Commonwealth's Motion to Dismiss or
strike the Third Party Complaint.
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ORDER

AND NOW, TO WIT, this 13th day of September, 1984, upon motion of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to dismiss, IT IS ORDERED that the motion is granted and the amended third-party complaint filed by the Union Gas Company is dismissed for the reasons set forth in this court's Memorandum dated November 15, 1983.

/s/ LOUIS C. BECHTLE, J. IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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#### ORDER

AND NOW TO WIT: this 4th day of February, 1985, it having been reported that the issues between the parties in the above action have been settled and upon Order of the Court pursuant to the provisions of Rule 23(b) of the Local Rules of Civil Procedure of this Court (effective January 1, 1970), it is ORDERED that the above action is DISMISSED with prejudice, pursuant to

agreement of counsel without costs except as provided by Local Rule 42(d).

MICHAEL E. KUNZ, Clerk of Court

BY: /s/
Deputy Clerk

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TRAVEL	200
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COMBTRUCTION	1.500
OTHER	\$637,000
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4. PROJECT INSPECTION PEES	
7. LAND DEVELOPMENT	
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PRINCE BENEFITS	4
TRAVEL	4
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# PART III-AWARD CONDITIONS

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that it, and its contractors, subcontract provisions of 40 CFR Chapter I, Subcit 40 CFP Part 30, and (2) any special assendment pursuant to 40 CFR 30.425. cipient covenants and agrees that it will expeditiously initiate and timely assistance has been awarded under this agreement, in accordance with all which essistance has been awarded under this agreement, in accordence that the secondary chapter I, Subpart B. The recipient warrants, represents, and agrees employees and representatives, will comply with: (1) all applicable (NCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO the provisions of Appendix A to conditions set forth: in this sesistance agreement or any assistance.

## SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

marization of EPA responsibilities that reflect or (For cooperative agreements include identification or su contribute to substantial involvement.)

- (RI/FS). The EPA will evaluate the State's requests for those RI/FS projects, in light of the availability of funds and national priorities, as they are submitted while EPA intends to provide funds for RI/FS projects, award of this Agreement does not commit or otherwise obligate EPA to provide such future funding. current EPA financial and program plans for future funding under this agreement anticipate amendments for several Remedial Investigations and Feasibility Studio The amount shown in block 13, Proposed Funding, of the State's application is \$4,776,254. The State agrees, however, that the amount to be funded at this time is the amount (\$672,254) shown in Section B, on page 5 of 10 of its application as the "Initial Grant". The State further understands that
- funds awarded only such amounts as are necessary to prepare for the procurement of the RI/FS contractor(s). When funds are made available, the State may draw down amounts for RI/FS coordination and management in proportion to the number of projects actually funded (e.g., if EPA provides funds for five (5) RI/FS's the State may use approximately sixty-five percent (65%) of the amount budgeted for management and coordination of RI/FS's). The State must receive written prior approval of the EPA Regional Site Project Officer to use funds in excess of such Part of the funding for State costs under this Agreement relates to Remedial Investigations/Feasibility Studies (RI/FS's). The budget estimates for those costs are based on the preparation of eight (8) RI/FS's. Until this Agreement is amended to provide funding for RI/FS's, the State may draw down from the proportional amounts.
- The award of this agreement is conditional upon receipt, with the State's acceptance of this agreement, of a Statement from the State's Governor or Attorney General that the Department of Environmental Resources (DER) has the authority to of this Agreement. enter into and execute the terms

- cooperative agreement for the letter of credit method of financing: The recipient agrees to the following conditions in accepting this
- Cash drawdowns will occur only when needed for disbursem 9
- Timely reporting of cash disbursements and balances will be provided as required by the EPA Letter of Credit Users num! P
- same standards of timing and reporting will be imposed secondary recipients, if any. 8 Û
- the appropriate voucher (Form for Using the Superfund Account Number Under Cooperative Agreements"). The eighth digit of the account number (see item 39, page 1 of the Cooperative Agreement) is applicable each activity account (see attached "Instructions When a drawdown under the letter of credit occurs, the code to the appropriate activity assignment: 5401) the Cooperative Agreement number, account number, and the drawdown amount recipient will show on the back of the PA 25 3 T
- L Remedial Planning, consisting of the following subactivities:
- Nemedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Nemedial Design
- A Support and Maintenance
- account without written permission from the EPA Project Officer funds for a specific activity have been exhausted but the work under the activity has not been completed, the recipient may not draw down from another activity or site and Award Official.
- Funds remaining in an account after completion of an activity may either be returned to the EPA or adjusted to another activity or site at EPA's discretion. (F
- When a subactivity is completed, the recipient will submit a Financial Status Report (Standard Form 269) within 90 days to the EPA Project Officer. 6

may cause the unobligated portions of the letter of credit to be revoked and the financing method changed to a reimbursable basis. Failure on the part of the recipient to comply with the above conditions

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DER	TPAY9A	2	68/20X8145	E2B020	4TPA7ZEA00	41.83	\$346,254
Dormey	TFAYSA	8	68/2003145	E2E024	4TFA723L86	41.83	\$ 34,500
Benderson	TPAYSA	28	68/2008145	E2E027	<b>KTPA723LA3</b>	41.83	\$ 34,500
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Berks	TPAY9A	2	68/2008145	E2E022	4TFA7231.64	41.83	
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Walsh	TPAYSA	8	68/2008145	E2E032	<b>FIFA7231.87</b>	41.83	\$ 34,500
Baldwin	TPAY9A	84	68/20x8145	E2E021	<b>STEAT23LAS</b>	41.83	
Letterkenny	TFAY9A	84	68/2008145	E2E028	4TPA723LA2	41.83	
Modern	TFAY9A	84	68/20x8145	E2E029	4TPA723LA4	41.83	
Surset	TFAY9A	84	68/20x8145	E2E030	4TFA723L82	41.83	
Brodhead	TPAY9A	84	68/20X8145	E2E023	4TFA723L28	41.83	\$ 9,500
Havertown	TPAY9A	84	68/20X8145	E2E026	4TPA723L54	41.83	\$ 9,500

The Director, Grants Administration Division, has approved a deviation from 40 CFR 30.308 which permits the recipient to charge allowable costs incurred on this budget period effective February 9, 1984, provided this agreement is accepted without change within three calendar weeks of its receipt. (See 40 CFR 30.305). 9

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8 Recipient must comply with the budget breakdowns as provided in the oversight and 12 site-specific budgets. Refer to pages 3 - 15. 7.

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BY AND ON DEHALF OF THE DESIGNATED RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION

Nicholas DeBenedictis, Secretary of

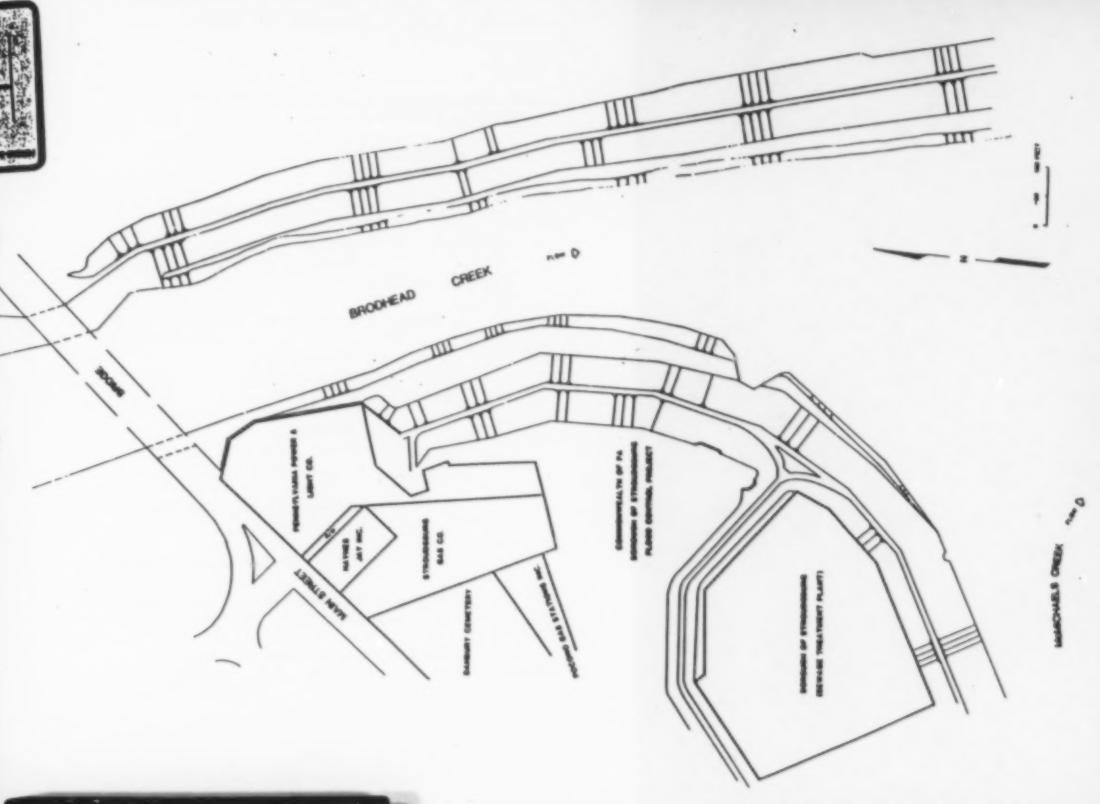
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### NOTICE OF APPEAL TO U.S. COURT OF APPEALS, THIRD CIRCUIT

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Philadelphia (LOCATION)

U.S. TAX COURT ( )

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DOCKET NO. 83-2457

DISTRICT OR TAX COURT JUDGE

United States of America

Union Gas Company vs.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and The Borough of Stroudsburg

Notice is hereby given that <u>Union</u>

<u>Gas Company</u> appeals to the United
(Named Party)

Circuit	ourt of Appeals for the Third from (x) Judgment ( ) Order ( ) pecify)
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